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CLAIM (S):

I claim:

7. A mountaineer' cot comprising:

a fabric with side and end sleeves, at least two inclination straps to facilitate the adjustment of the cot from sleep to sitting position,

six cot legs; wherein, two cot legs, with swivel bolts for inclination of the cot, one leg is adapted to receive an ice ax extender and one leg is adapted to receive the shaft of the ice ax to form the center stay of the cot; four cot legs adapted to receive trekking poles; wherein, two legs are adapted to receive the handle of the trekking pole and two legs are adapted to receive the tip of the trekking poles to form the end stays of the cot where the trekking poles are inserted into the end sleeves;

in addition, internal frame backpack stays modified to form four side-rails for insertion into the side sleeves to complete the formation of the cot.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing of claims in the application:

Listing of claims

Claim 1 (cancelled)

CLAIM (S):

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A lightweight backpackers/mountaineers cot comprising cot nylon fabric with side rail sleeves six cot legs; the two center legs being constructed to receive an ice ax as the center stay and four end legs constructed to receive the trekking poles as end stays of the cot. The side rails telescoping in nature are adapted from the internal frame backpack stays.

The side rails adjusted in length after removal from the internal frame backpack slid into the sidesleevs of the cot fabric. The side rails then are locked into the cot legs at the designated side rail receiver holes. The trekking poles are then adjusted from the trekking position length to the length that is appropriate for the end stays of the cot. The trekking poles are then fitted to the point of cot function. The ice ax is then fitted to the center legs and tightened to the proper tension and locked into place with the center leg ice ax shaft tightening screw. The six legs are specific for the reception of the particular end and center stay. There are two end legs that are designed to receive the handle of the trekking poles. There is one center leg designed to receive the

point of the ice ax and one center leg designed to receive the shaft of the ice

ax. The center legs are also designed with swivel bolt attached to the side rail

receiver that allows the inclination of the cot to be adjusted by the user fro

lying to sitting position. In addition, there is an ice ax extender that allows the

user to extend the length of their ice ax to the appropriate size in order to

properly fit the cot for use. The ice ax extender has a locking screw that will

lock the extender to the ice ax for cot use.

Claim 2 (cancelled): A mountaineer's cot comprised of the following

elements:

at least two cot legs; and

a cot cloth

wherein said elements allow for the interconnection of tools already

carried by the backpacker and mountaineer and used for other purposes to

form a lightweight cot.

Claim 3 (cancelled): The mountaineer's cot of claim 1 wherein the number of legs

is six..

Claim 4 (cancelled): The mountaineer's cot of claim 2 wherein said cloth has the

dimensions of 2 feet by 6 feet.

Claim 5 (cancelled): A lightweight mountaineer's cot comprised of:

at least 4 legs

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a cot frame adapted for field assembly from a combination of

mountaineering tools.

Claim 6 (cancelled): The mountaineer' cot of claim 4 wherein said

mountaineering tools are selected from the set of mountaineering tools consisting

of an ice ax, telescoping ski poles and internal frame pack mainstays.

Claim 7 (new): A mountaineer' cot comprising:

a fabric with side and end sleeves, at least two inclination straps to facilitate

the adjustment of the cot from sleep to sitting position,

six cot legs; wherein, two cot legs, with swivel bolts for inclination of the cot,

one leg is adapted to receive an ice ax extender and one leg is adapted to

receive the shaft of the ice ax to form the center stay of the cot; four cot legs

adapted to receive trekking poles; wherein, two legs are adapted to receive the

handle of the trekking pole and two legs are adapted to receive the tip of the

trekking poles to form the end stays of the cot where the trekking poles are

inserted into the end sleeves;

in addition, internal frame backpack stays modified to form four side-rails for

insertion into the side sleeves to complete the formation of the cot.

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